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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Applicants request a three-month extension of time from April 12, 2010 to July 12, 2010 and authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor, and any additional fee that may be due, to our deposit account in accordance with the attached Fee Transmittal sheet.

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) accompanies this reply.

In response to the Final Rejection dated January 12, 2010, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.